

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
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Federal Home Loan Mortgage) MUR 5197
Corporation ("Freddie Mac");)
Federal National Mortgage)
Association ("Fannie Mae");)
National Republican Congressional)
Committee and Christopher J. Ward,)
as treasurer;)
National Republican Senatorial)
Committee and Stan Huckaby,)
as treasurer;)
Republican National Committee and)
Michael L. Retzer, as treasurer;)
1997 Republican Senate-House Dinner)
Committee and Trudy Matthes)
Barksdale, as treasurer;)
1998 Republican House-Senate Dinner)
Committee and Trudy Matthes)
Barksdale, as treasurer;)
1999 Republican Senate-House Dinner)
Committee and Christopher J. Ward,)
as treasurer;)
2000 Republican House-Senate Dinner)
Committee and Christopher J. Ward,)
as treasurer;)
Democratic Congressional Campaign)
Committee and James J. Bonham,)
as treasurer;)
Democratic Senatorial Campaign)
Committee and Andrew Grossman,)
as treasurer;)
DNC Services Corporation/Democratic)
National Committee and Andrew)
Tobias, as treasurer)

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CERTIFICATION

I, Darlene Harris, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session on June 10, 2003, do hereby certify that the Commission decided by a vote of 4-0 to take the following actions with respect to MUR 5197:

1. Find reason to believe that the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).
2. Find reason to believe that the Federal National Mortgage Association violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).
3. Find reason to believe that the National Republican Congressional Committee and Christopher J. Ward, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).
4. Find reason to believe that the National Republican Senatorial Committee and Stan Huckaby, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a).
5. Find reason to believe that the Republican National Committee and Michael L. Retzer, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) and 11 CFR § 104.8(e).

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6. Find no reason to believe that the 1997 Republican Senate-House Dinner Committee and Trudy Matthes Barksdale, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) and close the file as to them.
 7. Find no reason to believe that the 1998 Republican House-Senate Dinner Committee and Trudy Matthes Barksdale, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) and close the file as to them.
 8. Find no reason to believe that the 1999 Republican Senate-House Dinner Committee and Christopher J. Ward, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) and close the file as to them.
 9. Find no reason to believe that the 2000 Republican House-Senate Dinner Committee and Christopher J. Ward, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) and close the file as to them.
 10. Find no reason to believe that the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee and James J. Bonham, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) and close the file as to them.
 11. Find no reason to believe that the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee and Andrew Grossman, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) and close the file as to them.

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12. Find no reason to believe that the DNC Services Corporation/Democratic National Committee and Andrew Tobias, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b(a) and close the file as to them.
13. Approve the Factual and Legal Analyses, as recommended in the General Counsel's Report dated May 21, 2003.
14. Enter into conciliation with the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
15. Enter into conciliation with the Federal National Mortgage Association prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
16. Enter into conciliation with the National Republican Congressional Committee and Christopher J. Ward, as treasurer, prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
17. Enter into conciliation with the National Republican Senatorial Committee and Stan Huckaby, as treasurer, prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
18. Enter into conciliation with the Republican National Committee and Michael L. Retzer, as treasurer, prior to a finding of probable cause to believe.
19. Approve the Conciliation Agreements, as recommended in the General Counsel's Report dated May 21, 2003.

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20. Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, and Thomas voted affirmatively for the decision. Commissioner Toner recused himself with respect to this matter; he was not present and did not vote. Commissioner Weintraub recused herself with respect to this matter; she was not present and did not vote.

Attest:

June 11, 2003
Date

Darlene Harris
Darlene Harris
Deputy Secretary of
the Commission

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